

More Grace Newsletter

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Highlights from this issue:

- *Sub Sale Fundraiser catches the attention of those within the community, sparking donation spree.*
- *Students participate in ethnic project fair.*
- *493 dependents served though the food pantry in March.*

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Sub Sale Fundraiser Sparks Action

Elizabeth Luffy, Director of Operations

For every new connection of support that pours into More Grace Outreach, a liberation is produced, enabling the ministry to love and provided needed resources for families supported through MGO. In the month of March MGO held a Sub Fundraiser to gather funds and raise awareness of emergent hunger issues in our own back yard.

The fundraiser broke record sales and while increasing awareness MGO embraced a new donor, Mon Power Energy Company. Their employees rallied, joined the effort and stepped forward to help stock

MGO Food pantry. Towards the end of the month MGO was contacted by an amazing young Honor Society student from Grafton High School. Hattie Tucker took it upon herself to join the effort and did a massive food collection. It is always amazing when young people see a need, address the issue and work for change. Hattie is a hero of her community. For all the individuals and businesses that stocked MGO Pantry thank you. MGO can now take a deep breath and watch the shelves filled and stocked as we launch in to April.



Spring Project Fair Highlights

On Wednesday, March 27, students of our Education Program piled through the doors with project boards in tow. Students of middle-high school age were required to submit a project board on a culture or historical figure of choice. Each student was required to give a presentation on their topic.

Middle school students focused on cooking, bringing in a dish native to the culture they were studying. The day was a nice change of pace from the normal schedule for students and parents alike.



Food Pantry Update



In March we served 493 dependents and families in our food pantry.

Special thanks to those that partnered with us to supply the food pantry for the coming month of April.

- Mon Power Energy
- Hattie Tucker, Grafton HS

If you are interested in partnering with us to help feed the hungry in our community, the following are our primary needs. Thank you in advance for your help, as the need in our community is still very great.

Current Pantry Needs:

- Breakfast foods (cereal, oatmeal)
- Peanut butter and Jelly
- Instant meals (ramen)
- Shelf-stable milk
- Bagged rice
- Noodles
- Personal Care Items (Shampoo, etc.)

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Desk of the Director

Elizabeth Luffy, Director of Operations

The month of March was filled with new connections for MGO ministry. In leading this ministry over the past two years, it became quickly apparent the need for connections and growth founded in a shared call to reach this amazing community would emerge from God's hand. God never designed ministry to be singular, but to be in a state of continuous multiplication of people connecting to people. This is a shared vision and a purposeful grip that clings to the fundamental truth found in 2 Corinthians 5:20:

So we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were making His appeal through us; we [as Christ's representatives] plead with you on behalf of Christ to be reconciled to God.

As a community of believers from various churches, non-profit entities and, supporters from around the country, we unite in prayer and vigilant efforts through our time, financial giving and expending our energy through volunteer shifts remaining focused on the steady march set before us . Today as you read this article, I want to challenge long time connections and new friends we have made this past month to cast your nets of influence and embrace your role as Christ representative in Marion, Taylor and surrounding communities. It is time to win our region.

How Can I Get Involved?

There are a number of ways you can join us in helping see God's vision for this ministry fulfilled.

First, you can **volunteer**. We are always looking for individuals to come and sort clothes, carry food, and love on the community with us. You can come and volunteer with us during any open hours.

Secondly, you can help us with **food and clothing donations**. Food and clothing are some of the biggest needs we receive, and though we regularly receive donations from the community, our supply always end up heading out the door with someone in need. You can drop off food/clothing donations to our facility during open hours, or by scheduling an appointment to

meet with an MGO representative.

Finally, you can always support **monetarily**. You can mail us a check, or reach us online at paypal.me/moregraceoutreach.

Thank you for considering partnering with us.

April Devotional Preview

Spring is here, and the month of April is Easter month!

This month in our Monday Morning Devotional, we will be discussing why Christ came in the first place. We understand that he came to

die so that we may live, but we will be discussing some of the deeper meaning behind why he came, and how it might be applied to our lives today.

You can check it out on our facebook page every Monday morning!

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ABOUT US

More Grace Outreach is a non-profit outreach center, based the heart of Taylor County, West Virginia. We service families with food, clothing, educational tutoring, counseling, and more for a fee of only \$20 a year. We operate exclusively on the basis of donation, and are always amazed at the generous heart of the Church, and the divine hand of God to keep our doors open. If you are interested in donating, volunteering, or reading more about the different ministries we offer, you can visit us at our website or at our facility directly. We would be happy to see you during our open hours, or offer you a tour by appointment.

